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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, "**SYSTEM FOR THE PREFERENTIAL REMOVAL OF SILICON OXIDE**," the specification of which was filed on April 11, 2000, as United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/547,425; and

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) and/or § 120 of any United States provisional applications and/or applications listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Title: SYSTEM FOR THE PREFERENTIAL
REMOVAL OF SILICON OXIDE

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**REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS OF ATTORNEY
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

Cabot Microelectronics Corporation, the Assignee of the entire interest for the above-identified application by virtue of document recorded with this office on June 8, 2000 under Reel/Frame(s) 010908/0252, hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously given. In addition, the assignee hereby appoints its patent attorneys and agents, registered with this office to represent it under Customer Number 29050, to prosecute and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected with the present application.



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This authority is concurrently requested to recognize the attorneys of Leydig, Voit, & Mayer, Ltd. (Customer Number 23460) as Associate Attorneys for the present case.



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